



ST. ALOYSIUS PARISH



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Date: January 28, 2024



ST. ALOYSIUS MISSION STATEMENT

*We, as a Christian Community, Inspired by the Holy Spirit, Strive to live our Baptismal Promises by using our time, talent and treasure to reach out to others **as Jesus did.***

PAROCHIAL ADMINISTRATOR

FR. DONBOSCO MAWDSLEY, SMA

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

SUNDAYS 9:30AM at STE. LOUISE-DE-MARILLAC CHURCH
(corner Honoré-Beaugrand & Ste. Claire)

SECRETARY

JOANNE TROTTIER

CONFESSIONS

QUARTER OF AN HOUR BEFORE AND AFTER MASS

BAPTISMS

CONTACT OFFICE FOR INFO

WEDDINGS

CONTACT OFFICE MINIMALLY SIX MONTHS BEFORE MARRIAGE

H.O.P.E. COMMITTEE

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8680 Hochelaga St.
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Tel: 514-355-1712

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Blue Mondays: MONDAYS - 8:00PM
ST. ALOYSIUS PARISH CENTRE
(8402 de Marseille St., Montreal)

*Meetings to resume soon: details TBA

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

SUNDAYS - 8:00PM
ST. BRENDAN'S HALL
(5740 15th Ave., corner Rosemont)



MASS INTENTIONS



For This Week:
Sunday, January 28

Intentions are for:
FR. JOSEPH P. SULLIVAN

Requested by:
St. Aloysius Parish

For Next Week:
Sunday, February 4
and

Intentions are for:
MRS. ANNA-MAUDE JANDRON
KATHLEEN TAYLOR AND ANNE SNOW

Lynn Valenta
St. Aloysius Parish

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS for last week:
Noah Mascarenhas, Lorraine McArdle (28),
Timothy Khaka (29), Mike Laporte (Feb. 1)

CELEBRATING AN ANNIVERSARY:
No anniversaries listed.

The Vine

The Gospel according to Saint John differs considerably from the three other Gospels, which, on the contrary, have a lot in common. Its writer spends about 15% of his book on events that took place once Judas left the others at the Last Supper up until when they all meet again in the garden of Gethsemane. Chapters 13 to 17 of the Gospel are devoted to a detailed account of four events: the washing of the disciples' feet by Jesus; a long talk at table before they leave for the garden, another talk on the way to the garden and then what I consider as Jesus' final report to His Father at their arrival at the garden.

Chapter 15, where Jesus is talking while en route, starts with a beautiful metaphor where He states that He is the Vine, the disciples are His branches and God the Father is the Farmer. So, we are the branches of the Vine which is Jesus. If perchance we are cut from the Vine, we simply die – as Jesus said in the same text, without me you can do nothing, i.e. you are dead. We get our nutrients from the Vine's roots. Of course, without the branches' leaves the whole vine will die unless it manages to produce new branches. Of course, the whole raison d'être of the Vine is to produce grapes, which one finds attached to the branches. So finally, our goal is to produce beautiful and plentiful grapes; Jesus – the Vine – also has that same goal. And God, our Father, wills that we fulfill that goal and so prunes us, the branches.

The major point here is that we all have the same goal and are all part of the same organism, the Vine. That organism is Jesus. We are part of Him as long as we are attached to Him. He is the sum total of the branches while being more than the branches.

Of course, this metaphor has also been modified elsewhere in that we are part of the body of Christ while He is its Head. Again, Jesus is more than any part of His body but in order for us to remain alive we need to remain part of His body. As we heard in many sermons, we must be the hands and arms of Christ in this World.

So, for each one of us to remain alive we must all be part of that organism, and we must do our utmost to produce as much fruit as we can. We need to support each other by transforming the required energy from the Sun through our leaves to contribute to the growth of the whole Vine. And, as the hymn goes, we have to be one in the Lord.

— *Authored by Jacques Beaulieu*



ST. ALOYSIUS' NEWS

HYMNS FOR

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2024

- **OPENING: 603 – Faith of Our Fathers**
- **OFFERTORY: 683 – All That I Am**
- **RECESSIONAL: 674 – Now Thank We All Our God**

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

Ash Wednesday Mass at St. Aloysius Parish will take place at 11 a.m. on **Wednesday, Feb. 14** at Ste-Louise-de-Marillac Church. We look forward to welcoming you.

FATHER DONBOSCO:

AVAILABILITY FOR MINISTRIES

Please note that Fr. Donbosco is available to bless homes and cemetery graves upon request. He is also willing to visit the ill and bring communion.

For any requests, you can call Fr. Donbosco directly at 438-937-3767 or leave a message at the office. Please note that Father does not have a car. He can easily manage if the visits are close to the parish. If someone is able to bring him to a hospital or residence in question it would be most appreciated.

H.O.P.E. COMMITTEE

Our 2023 H.O.P.E. Action Report is available at the back of the church. It is also posted on our website.

Thank you,
The H.O.P.E. Committee

IMPORTANT NOTICE

All cheques for H.O.P.E. must be made out to 'St. Aloysius Parish' (memo 'H.O.P.E.'). **Most importantly**, cheques **cannot** be combined with donations to both H.O.P.E. and St. Aloysius Parish. Unfortunately they will be returned to you. We are sorry for this inconvenience and appreciate your understanding.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

Sunday, January 21, 2024:

St. Aloysius Parish: \$150.00
H.O.P.E.: \$55.00

COLLECTION ENVELOPES

2024 Collection envelopes are available. If you do not have a parishioner number and would like to receive a box of collection envelopes for tax purposes, please see Joanne.

TAX RECEIPTS

Your 2023 tax receipts will be available at the back of the church by the end of February. Tax receipts not picked up will be placed in the mail. Thank you

LE P'TIT PÈRE: APPEAL FOR DONATIONS OF SHOES/BOOTS

Fr. Jean-Pierre Couturier devotes much of his time repairing and donating shoes and boots to the homeless. If you have men's shoes and/or boots that you no longer need, we would greatly appreciate it if you would donate them to this cause. You can bring them directly to the church or drop them off at the office. Thank you in advance for your help!

COMMUNITY NEWS

RESOURCE FOR FAMILIES/INDIVIDUALS: LOCAL FOOD BANK

If you or someone you know who resides in the following areas: Montreal-East, Tétraultville, Anjou, Pointe-aux-Trembles or Rivières-des-Prairies, are in need of a food bank, **Cuisine Collective à Toute Vapeur** can provide some assistance. Food bank distribution is open Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m., corner Sherbrooke East/Henri-Bourassa East. Delivery and/or group meal prep may be available. For more information, call 514-640-6024.

SPEND YOUR LENTEN SEASON WITH "THE CHOSEN"

Season Three continues Feb. 23

A synodal discussion, inspired by the popular series based on the life of Jesus, continues with Season Three over four Friday evenings (Feb. 23-Mar. 15), 7 p.m. EST, online via Zoom. Register today!

WHO IS THIS FOR?

Open to all. For those seeking a space dedicated to:

- taking part in a synodal exchange with your parish team, family and/or friends
- listening to God's call to us, in our personal mission and our communal mission as Church.
- creating opportunities to foster a pastoral conversion as an individual and as community
- praying for one another

For more details or to register, visit: https://bit.ly/thechosen_season3_Lent2024

PRAYER FOR PEACE AND HEALING

In your prayers, please remember in a special way those in our parish family and among our loved ones who are ill, suffering or in convalescence, especially:

**Mark, Faith Halsey
Bobby Squires,
Claris Mascarenhas, John Henry,
Mathilda Dias, Diane Vanin,
Jeannie Wayland, Dan Hunt
Stephen Pomerleau**

May I be at peace.

May my heart remain open.

May I be aware of my true nature.

May I be healed.

May I be a source of healing to others.

May I dwell in the breath of God.

- Saint Teresa of Avila

Blessings on your week and thank you for your stewardship. Stay healthy and well.

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